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In The Wake Of The Storm

Five Days of Exile—The Railroad Company's Heavy Losses—Middletown Nearly out of Coal, Water Also Scarce—Pumps and Water Pipes Frozen—The Highways Present an Artic Scene.

We were in the midst of the wintry blast when we went to press last week. Now the greatest snowstorm in the memory of this generation is recorded for February 7-11, 1895.

The fierce gale that blew the blinding snow flakes, became more and more intense, the drifts piled higher and higher, the mercury got lower and lower, and the outlook became more and more serious as the hours went by. The blockaded trains a few miles to the north of us were not moved until Sunday evening, when the train that had been stuck at Beasten's cut near Mt. Pleasant since Friday morning came thundering into the station with five engines, throwing the snow as high as a house top, and presenting as magnificent a spectacle as was ever looked upon. The sound of the whistle was a welcome signal, and hundreds of people were at the station when the storm-ridden train come steaming in' greeted by wild cheers from the town folks.

The crew and passengers were comfortably cared for during the night, 118 persons wese breakfasted at the National Hotel Monday morning. The train presued its journey south, leaving here about 9 o'clock.

The first train came north about noon Monday.

The loss to the Delaware railroad is the heaviest ever experienced from storm It is estimated that 1000 men have been working trying to clear the track, but the drifts were so great that the task seemed a hopeless one at first.

All along the route there were storm bound trains; relief parties were numerous and, so far as we know, the travelers were made as comfortable as the occasion permitted. The trains however were not running regularly until Tuesday when a deluge of mail almost swamped the Postmaster and made glad the hearts of many people who were eagerly awaiting the arrival of the long delayed letters and papers

Middletown has stood the storm well We are threatened with a coal famine, but are hoping it will be averted. Both coal yards are about empty, and though large orders have been sent in our local dealers cannot tell when the "dusky diamonds" will arrive in may be in a day, it may be in weeks.

The R. R. company is threatening to raise the freight rate $2 per ton, which will make the cost of coal over $8 to consumers.

Some of our people have suffered from lack of water, pumps and water pipes have been very generally frozen up, and not a few have to resort to melted snow for domestic uses. Provisions are also getting low in some quarters but where one is short another is flush, and Middletown never loses a chance to help the unfortunate of our own number.

There has been a general cessation of business, the country roads being impassable for days. Hundreds of men are at work opening the roads, and even yet there are blockades. The scene in the Brick Mill lane is a nearer approach to the artics than any we have ever looked upon. A narrow passage that has been opened with snow walls about 20 feet high on either side is suggestive of a tunnel through some vast artic waste, with only the snow and sky in view. One could well fancy himself among Greenland's icy mountain, as he struggled through the drifts that are piled mountain high in places.

It is an ill wind that blows no good. The idle men are given employment, but the tax payers will have the brunt to bear.

The many experiences that have come to the people during the reign of this storm will be the topic of conversation for years to come. There is nothing to compare with a snowbound passenger train for reminiscences.

MOTHER GOOSE.

A Pleasing Entertainment by St. Anne's Young Folks.

The Mother Goose entertainment given in St. Anne's Sunday School Building on Thursday evening was enjoyed by the many who were present.

Miss Hodge, in picturesque costume; impersonated the old dame while her numerous children were represented by the little folks. Little Janette Schrietz, and Jesse Willits in their duett, "Where are you going my pretty maid," were especially pleasing as was also "Jack the Pipers Son, who stole a pig etc." by Cuthbert Peverly and Wallace Beasten. The squeal was very realistic.

The amount cleared was something over $10.00 to be devoted to the St. John's Orphanage in Baltimore.

Rev. T.E. Terry Called.

The Official Board of the M. E. church of this town held a special meeting yesterday afternoon to consider the very important question of choosing a pastor to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late beloved pastor, Rev. N. M. Browne. Rev. T. E. Terry was the unanimous choice of the Board. and if he is favorable to the invitation and it should please the Conference to send him here, it will give the church and congregation universal satisfaction. Mr. Terry is closing his third year at St. Paul. He is a man of every ministered quality, and we hope it will be the good fortune of the church to have him as its pastor.

Prolific Ewes.

Mr. Thomas C. Slaughter, living in Queen Anne's, about two miles from Chester Bridge, has a flock of 12 ewes. Seven of them have given birth to twins; two to triplets, and three gave birth to one lamb each, making a total of 23 lambs from 12 ewes, and all of them alive and doing well. Who can beat this in either Kent or Queen Anne's.—Chestertown Transcript.

Postponed Sale.

On account of the blockade Mr. R. C. Whittock's sale of fine stock and farming implements is postponed until Monday Feb. 18th, when the roads leading from everywhere to his farm near Murphey's mill will be open to travel.

PERSONALITIES

Little Lines About Men and Women and What They Are Doing.

—John J. Hoffecker is visiting his father, James R Hoffecker in town.

—James Challenger, of New Castle, spent last night at the M E. Parsonage.

—Miss Emma Short, of Clayton, was the guest of relatives in town to-day.

—Rev. and Mrs. Stengle will be the guests of Mr. Thomas Cavender. from till Monday

—Mrs. R. H. Matlack, of Wilmington, was a snowbound guest in town this week.

—Rev Henry Chamberlain, of New York, was a guest at his father's, Dr. Chamberlain this week.

—Mr and Mrs. Samuel Lewis and Mrs. M. E. Hyde, of Denton, are the guests of Mrs J. W. Burrows.

—Mr. Clinton Cook, of Denton, who spent several days with his sister, Mrs. N. M. Browne, returned home on Wednesday.

—Mr. Robert Thompson of Washington, D, C. who was a guest at the M. E. Parsonage since Thursday, returned home on Monday evening.

—Dr. MartinBarr, of Elwin Pa., was snowbound in Kent Co. Md. during the blockade. He has been a guest of his mother in town this week.

—Mrs. Mc Cracken, sister of the late Rev. N. M. Browne, and daughters of North East Md. returned home on Tuesday, having remained at the parsonage during the several day's storm that obstructed travel.

—Our venerable friend, Dr. G. G Chamberlaine, who has been confined to his room for the past five weeks is much better though still unable to sit up long at a time. We hope soon to see him out again.

—We miss the familiar face of E. B. Rice from our streets; he has been housed nearly the whole winter, and is now in a very critical state of health. His many friends are deeply interested in his recovery.

—Our genial Chicago friend Mr. George T. French, was in town yesterday on a brief visit He too has been in the blockade, but takes that like everything else, as one of life's episodes. He always brings good cheer to the Transcript.

—Revs, Alfred Smith, of Smyrna, C. H. Prettyman, of Seaford, and R. I. Watkins of Odessa, were snowbound in Middletown from Thursday of last week until Tuesday. Having been prevailed upon to remain over night on Thursday, they had to stay longer over to-day.

LITTLE LOCALS.

—The Legislature is still at Dover and is also still in the embrace of a deadlock.

—A mother's meeting will be held in Mrs. Roberts's parlor Friday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. All parents and guardians of the young, will find this meeting helpful.

—Every thing goes—on runners just now, and every sort of a sleigh imaginable is in service from a goods box or farm wagon bed to the daintiest cutter, "built for two" and snug at that!

"Traffic in girls' is the startling subject of the lecture to be given in the Presbyterian church Tuesday evening by Miss Charlton Edholm, the purity Evangelist, who comes here under the auspices of the W. T. C. U.

—Lady Henry somerset will lecture in the Wilmington Opera House on Monday evening under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. Several persons from Middletown are expecting to hear this lady of world wide fame as a speaker and reformer.

—The Wilmington Bar Tenders Association gave a ball in the German Hall of this city Tnursday night, which was simply a drunken revel, in which men, women and girls were the participants. The scene as given by a morning paper is revolting.

—Middletown Council no. 2. Jr. O. U. M. will make a fraternal visit to Post no. 22 G. A. R. at the latter's Headquarters Friday night Feb. 22. There will be open camp fire, speeches and a general good time is expected, as the Juniors and veterans have much in common.

—Next Friday we will celebrate the birthday of the Father of his country. On Tuesday last the birthday of Lincoln, the Savior of his country was celebrated. There is a popular movement to make this day also a national holiday which is a reasonable, right and a proper thing.

—Poor "bunny" is having a hard time and so are "Bob White" and "Jim Crow" but the English sparrow with the dogged persistence of his compatriots is as chipper as May, though his ranks are considerably depleted since the storm Many farmers are feeding the birds that use about their farms.

—The entertainment at Professor Tharps' that was to be given last week, was postponed on account of the weather, until Tuesday evening. A very pleasing programme was rendered, living pictures representing specimens from the floral and vegetable kingdom being the chief feature. Refreshments were served, and the neat little sum of $13 was added to the Treasury of the Mission Band.

The Diamond State Brass Band made its debut Thursday night on the occasion of a serenade for Mr. and Mrs. George Hall. The young bridegroom gave them a very nice treat, which was followen by another serenade of a newly wedded couple who are visiting at Mr. James Burrows'. The Band "boys" are a credit to their leader Prof. G. W. Price and having given us a taste of good music, we shall be on the qui vive for a repetition.

—Miss Frances Willard says: "Mrs. Charlton Edholm, of Oakland, California, has been warmly recommended to the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union by the General Officers of the W. C. T. U. of that State, where she has cooperated in the work for many years. Mrs. Edholm is a journalist and has placed her ready pen at the service of the Woman's Temperance movement, having been made press reporter of the World's W. C. T. U. She is a most zealous and enthusiastic worker, willing to spend and be spent in the great cause to which she has dedicated her life, and we bespeak for her the kind consideration of all good people" Mrs. Edholm will speak in Forest Presbyterian Church of this town Tuesday evening. All are invited to hear her.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remainining in the Middletown post office which can be had by saying they are advertised: Miss Sarah L. Williams, Miss Florence Calburn. Mrs. Lyda Gardner. Mr. A. Garty Mrs. Bertie Harris, Miss Florence Jarrell, Mrs. Mearry Wilson.

A FARMERS' REFLECTION.

A Practical Test of Prices and Values.

EDITOR TRANSCRIPT:—"Now is the winter of our discontent;" roads are blockaded with snow; all the poultry that we had to spare long since disposed of, and at prices lower than was ever known to the present generation of farmers; all of last year's crops sold at prices that have scarcely repaid the money expended in producing them.

After feeding and watering the stock, and seeing that they were comfortably housed, it being too cold to do any out-of-door work, I find considerable time for reading and "reflection."

I run an account at a "General-Store" in the village nearby, which I settle twice a year, viz: in July and January. The bill for the last six months has come to hand, and I have examined it more critically than usual. I had been so often told, that the "Wilson bill" which our Democratic Congress had passed, was going to largely reduce the prices on everything that we had to purchase, and that it would off-set the low-price rates that we had been compelled to accept for all the farm products we had sold; but I failed to find it so.

Now, sugar coffee and tea are the principle articles in the grocery line that we buy. On these, I find prices about the same or slightly higher than they were two years ago. Our store keeper used to exchange with us a pound of roasted coffee for one dozen of eggs, but last fall I found that it took two and a half dozen of eggs to get one pound of roasted coffee.

It is my custom, each fall, to give my boys (there are three of them) a suit of heavy woolen clothes, for winter wear, also to provide one for myself; for these I find the prices are no lower than they were two years ago. Then I compare the prices of other articles on the bill, with the prices paid one, two and three years ago, and still fail to find where the lower prices come in that our stump speakers and politicians had been so confidently predicting. In desperation I felt like exclaiming in the words of the Southern Congressman, "where am I at."

Having at hand complete files of the market reports of the city to which most of our farm products are sent, I thought it would be interesting to myself and possibly to other farmers, to compile the prices (wholesale) for the usual articles that the farmer has to sell, and for such comparison have taken the prices at the end of the year, say December 28th to 31st, for the years 1888 to 1894 inclusive with the following results, viz:

	1888 Dec. 28	1889 " 31	1890 " 30	1891 " 31	1892 " 31	1893 " 29	1894 " 28
Sheep each	5 @6.50	$3.00@4.00	4.00@4.50	3.00@4.00	3.00@4.00	2.50@3.00	1.00@2.00
Lambs per pound	6@6½c	5½c	6@6½c	5½@6c	5½@6c	3½@4c	2½@3c
Wool, Merino	17@18c	18@19c	18@19c	17@18c	17@18c	14c	11@12c
Wool unwashed	24@26c	26c	26@27c	25@26c	25@26c	18@19c	14c
Mixed Corn	42½c	39½c	57 c	48 c	48 c	40½c	47½c
No. 2 Red Wheat	85 c	76@79½c	57@67½c	78@82½c	$1.00	64c	69c

Now, with these facts staring us in the face, where are the great benefits that the "poor farmer" was to reap from the repeal of the "McKinley bill?" Have we not been fooled again?

A FARMER.

RESOLUTIONS.

On the Death of Rev. N. M. Browne.

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe to call off from his labors on the earthly Temple, suddendly as did he a "builder of old," to the eternal refreshment prepared for all whose work shall be approved in the banqueting hall of the Temple, "not made with hands eternal in the heavens;" Brother and Rev. Nicholas M. Browne, (father of one of our members, Brother Hugh C. Browne,) who at the time of his death was a member of Coates Lodge, No. 102, Easton, Maryland; and

WHEREAS, Brother Browne, during his residence among us as pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, for the last four years, did endear himself to the hearts of all true Master Masons; and

WHEREAS, His sudden calling off, has not only severed a link in the tie that bound us together in one common bond of brotherhood, but has sundered the more endearing tie that bound him to one who for about 30 years, has shared his joys and sorrows, and left vacant a place in the heart and home that can never be filled, therefore be it

WHEREAS, He did by his life exemplefy the teachings of masonry, and demonstrated, that it was not a mere profession, but something to be lived and practiced in the lives of all who would appropriate to himself the proud title of Master Mason, and

Resolved, That we mourn his untimely death, and will cherish his memory in our hearts, and strive to imitate his many virtues.

Resolved, That we extend to the family of our departed brother, our profoundest sympathy, and commend them to Him who "tempers the wind to the shorn lamb," and who alone can sustain them in this hour of their sad bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our deceased brother; a copy to Coates Logde, No. 102, of Easton, Maryland.

Resolved, That we will attend the funeral of our deceased Brother in a body, as an escort.

"His work was not done, yet his column is broken;
Mourn ye and weep, for ye cherish his worth.
Let every tear-drop be sympathy's token;
Lost to the brotherhood, lost the earth."

On behalf of
UNION LODGE, No. 5, A. F. and A. M.
JOSEPH L. GIBSON,
JOSEPH C. PARKER,
GEO. ECHENHOFER,
Committee.

MIDELETOWN, DEL., Feb. 5th, '95.

Dr. Parkhurst's first article to woman in The Ladies' Home Journal has proved so popular that the entire huge edition of the February issue of the magazine was exhausted within ten days, and a second edition of 45,000 copies has been printed.

We will give the best cash prices ever known before for farm harness' collars, bridles, pads, ropes etc. Established 1878. All grades guaranteed as we represent them. J. C. PARKER.

HERE AND THERE.

Bright Siftings Gathered From Far and Near.

Mayor Strong is an early riser. He is out of bed by 6.30 and breakfast is over by 8 o'clock. He is very methodical in his work and in his pleasures, and if he cannot have his after-dinner cigar exactly at the hour when he has smoked it ever since he began to smoke, he is the most unhappy man in Gotham. He is a devout church goer and very philanthropic. Mrs. Grannis does not believe this, but Mrs. Grannis has some very decided ideas which Mayor Strong does not believe in either. His wife is a quiet, sweet womanly woman, who is far more interested in the corporal works of mercy than bloomers or women commissioners, so it is hardly fair to blame His Honor when he does not show deep deference to the women who instruct him how to run New York.

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Joseph Cook has joined the Salvationists so they say. Good for Joseph!

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Faure, President of the French Republic, has two or three characteristics which will surely make him a favorite with the masses. He is wealthy, and has associated with people of high degree for years, and been so favorably impressed with the customs of aristocracy that he wears a monocle. On the other hand, he is a son of the people, and all his money has been earned by the sweat of his brow. His father was an upholsterer in a very small way, in a small suburb, and brought his son up to be a hard-working young laborer. Young Faure started in business as a tanner, and even to-day his office at Havre bears the brass plate with the modest inscription, "C. F. Foure, Cuiros et Peaux" (Hides and Skins). M. Faure has three lovely daughters, who are all to make their social debut at the first Palais d'Elysee ball.

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Mrs. Davis, the teacher of a district school three miles from the village of Lyons, N. Y., was found dead in a snow-bank near the schoolhouse Monday, having been lost in the blizzard last Thursday and frozen to death.

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The long overdue steamer La Gascogne, of the French line, arrived at New York Monday night from Havre under her own steam, with all well on board. Her machinery was disabled. Her safe arrival was the occasion of great rejoicing on two continents.

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Mayor Strong sent a great many valentines, not of the kind that are received with joy. Gov. Morton has signed the bill, giving the Mayor power to remove heads of Departments, and they are being removed.

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At Cabul, the Ameer of Afghanistan has erected an electric light station. The Ameer has also built a saw and planing mill, a mint, a carriage factory, an arsenal, gun, powder mill, a boat factory, and last but not least, a soap factory.

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Not very long ago Mr. Murphy, a London attorney, was attacked in a lonely road by a footpad. He says: "I did not knock him down or anything of that sort. I simply fell upon him and never saw him again. My weight is twenty-two stone."

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Some idea of the expenses of maintaining royalty may be gained from a recent report of the expense of Queen Victoria's household for the past year. They amounted approximately to $865,000, and upward of $655,000 went into salaries.

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A Father with eight marriageable daughters advertised as a last resort to get them off his hands. He received the follow telegram: "Am a bachelor and wealthy, Will gladly marry one of your daughters. Send samples at once."—Pueblo Star.

CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. Adam Stengle of Smyrna will preach to-morrow in the Methodist Episcopal church at both morning and evening service. Rev. R. I. Watkins will fill the pulpit of this church on the following Sunday.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered in the Forest Presbyterian church on Sunday morning March 3rd. Revival services will be held beginning on Wednesday evening Feb. 20th, and continuing every evening except Saturday until Friday March 1st. inclusive. The preparatory Service will be held Saturday afternoon March 1st, at 3 o'clock. All are cordially invited to be present at these services.

Rev. Alfred Smith D. D. preached in the Forest Presbyterian church Sunday evening The morning sermon by the pastor Rev. F. H. Moore was of a memorial character, and was a worthy tribute to the memory of the late Rev. N. M. Browne.

Bethesda Methodist Episcopal church was closed last Sunday on account of the church being bereft of its pastor.

The Purity Evangelist.

Mrs. Charlton Edholm, Superintendent Press World's W. C. T. U. will deliver an address in the Presbyterian Church on Tuesday evening, February 19th, at 7.30 o'clock, on the subject of "Social Purity." She is a lady of ability and comes to us bringing the highest testimonials both as a lady and as an advocate of the great cause she represents. All are invited.

A mother's meeting will also be held on Tuesday afternoon at Mrs. Culbertson's, February 19th, at 2.30 o'clock. We hope all that are interested in the great work of social Purity will meet with Mrs. Edholm who has co-operated in the work for many years.

SUPERINTENDENT OF THE LOCAL PRESS.

SURPRISE PARTY.

Miss Sallie Jolls Received an Ovation.

A very delightful little surprise party was given at the home of Miss Sallie Jolls on Wednesday evening a few of her young friends having arranged it very hastily, so that it was quite an impromptu affair, Music, games and the usual youthful pastimes gave variety to the evening pleasure.

Refreshments of ices, creams and cakes were served.

Among the guests were: Misses Mabelle Taylor, Nellie Earnest, Maggie Arthurs, Helen Price, Susie Parker, Mary Dunning, Julia Staats, Dora Culbertson, Hattie Barnard, Mary Muxwell, Messrs Harry Budd, Grey Taylor, Willie Collins, Stanley Arthurs, Harold Green, Gilpin Massey, Allen McDowell, Louie Naudain, and Fred Crouch.

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As It Was .....And Is

At Palm Beach—Scott Way Views Life at a Winter Hotel and Moralizes Thereon—Northern People With Their Climate, Deseases and Fashion in the Land of the Everglades.

TWO years ago I spent a delightful winter at Palm Beach. It was 150 miles from a railroad that connected with the rest of the world and about the same distance from a drugstore and an undertaker. The Seminoles came in now and then from the Everglades to sella wild turkey or a saddle of venison, a telegraph wire had just reached there, and a sojourner on the shores of beautiful Lake Worth felt an influence of calm, quiet and don't-care-a-dashfulness that was hard to find elsewhere. There was a mail now and then that got through from the North in a week or ten days, if everything went along smoothly en route, and when the little steamer came down the lake from Juno (a town that contained a county clerk, an editor, a lawyer and several other people) and blew three blasts of her whistle to tell us she had mail from the North, we all rushed to the post office feeling an excitement that was positively invigorating.

There was a pleasant hotel where pleasant people to the number of a hundred or more wore their clothes of the previous summer, and, like a big family of congenial spirits, had a good time sailing, fishing, bathing and dreaming under the cocoanuts.

You who have not seen Lake Worth and Palm Beach since that season, less than two years ago, would hardly know it now, for Mr. Flagler, the Standard Oil man whom Governor Hogg of Texas is painfully anxious to see, has come here with a railroad, a boom town and a hotel that seems to corner about all there was of Palm Beach, as we used to know it, and is intended to accommodate a thousand people without having them feel crowded. The rates at this hotel are $4 a day and upward; they are mostly upward. Possibly the $4 rooms are up somewhere between Palm Beach and the sky or over somewhere toward the ocean, within a quarter or third of a mile of the main entrance.

I am not sure, as I am not stopping at this hotel. I am considerably more modest in my taste since I have grown older and less rash than I used to be. The $20, $40, $50 a day and other upward rooms, are nearer in to the front.

Here are congregated imitation Englishmen with sawed-off trousers; bond-holders with a haughty cast of countenance and a wart on their chin; people who have acquired wealth from pork and lard, and look it; swells and swellesses, and all the rest of the curiosities and freaks of an ultra-fashionable and high-priced winter hotel. Even the Seminoles are afraid to cross the lake to the East side, where the hotel stands, since have come these men with English whiskers, single-barreled eye-glass and vacant idiotic stare.

I should like to know, just for my own satisfaction, the candid and unvarnished estimate held by the white man by "Billy Bowlegs" chief of the Seminoles, since the big hotel has been opened.

West Palm Beach is Mr. Flagler's town. It is over the lake, opposite the hotel. The town is intended for the "common herd" as it were. It has been built a little more than a year, and has a population of 500 or 600 people. During its brisk growth quite a number of people who have "grown up with it," as they say out West, have considerably increased their assets. They tell of one man who came here in the beginning with only a quart of whiskey in a valise (it was a "dry" county then) and now owns one of the best business blocks in town and has an income of four hundred dollars a month. If this be true, it proves that energy and perseverance will "get there," even during a panic.

There is every convenience—almost everything one can need now at West Palm Beach, where there was but a solitary house a year and a half ago. There are water works, an ice factory, a daily train to and from Jacksonville, bakers, grocers, provisdealers, hardware merchants, furniture dealers, two newspapers, several lawyers, hotel, bar-rooms, doctors, a drug-store, an undertaker and a grave-yard. It used to be so inconvenient to bury a man down there that no one thought of dying, unless he fell in the lake and could'nt swim, but it is so different now. All the new diseases with 1895 names have come, and the undertaker keeps your size of case on hand, and will line it while you wait.

But, if Lake Worth has lost much of its charm for quiet, modest and Nature loving folks, it has gained attractions for those who like to be in the "social swim" as well as for the fellows who are eternally nosing around for a chance for speculation. Land has increased in value an hundred fold in two years, and, in places, is no longer rated by the acre but by the front foot.

The winter climate remains, too, the greatest of all the charms of South Florida, and now that its fame has gone about so far and wide few will think of visiting Florida without seeing Lake Worth.

And the way to reach it and enjoy the going is by way of the Indian River Steamers from Titusville. A trip by rail only gives one now and then a passing glance of that unique waterway, the Indian river, famous for its natural scenery and luscious pine apples. The steamers of the Indian River Steamboat Company take you for 150 miles on the bosom of its waters, unrolling all the while a most pleasing panarama of its shores, now palm-clothed, now dense with mangroves, now showing a modern cottage on a crest surrounded by cres of pine-apples, now a growing village with its hotels, stores, docks and pretty cottages.

One never grows weary of this trip on this long, placid lagoon that extends along the Eastern Coast of Florida for more than 150 miles, and for much of the distance is within hearing of the breakers of the Atlantic. The trip is made from Jacksonville (via J. T. & K. W. Railroad to Titusville, thence by steamer to Jupiter) in less than thirty hours, and to my mind, is the most delightful trip that can be made in Florida. The steamers are roomy, comfortable, commanded by gentlemanly officers, and furnish meals equalled by few hotels in the South.

The most interesting feature of the trip is the voyage through the "Narrows," a narrow and tortuous channel, where one may almost reach the branches of the mangroves from the deck of the steamer.

From Jupeter to Juno, at the head of Lake Worth, one goes by rail, a distance of about eight miles, skirting the ocean beach and at Juno again takes steamer for points on the lake. The Indian River Steamboat Company has a swift and pleasant steamer on the lake this season, connecting with all points on Lake Worth and saving the long and tedious delays that used to occur at Juno.

Mr. Flagler's new railroad runs from Jacksonville to West Palm Beach. It is an all-rail route and makes the run in about eleven hours.

The Indian River country is being rapidly developed and has along its east shore, several pleasant and growing young towns. The Southern half of it is mainly a pine-apple and vegetable region, and last season shipped 70,000 crates of pineapples to the North and West.

Florida has just been swiped by the tail of another cold wave that came down here at the rate of 30 miles an hour fresh from the Noth pole, or thereabouts, and made us hustle for fire wood and our winter clothes. To be basking in summer weather one day and get up next morning to find your pump frozen up is surprising, to say the least.

The freeze has been quite general through out the State. In Central and Northern Florida temperatures as low as 15 to 20 above zero were reached, but only for a short time. The early vegetables, except in extremely well protected localities, are probably killed again, the second time this winter.

It is all over now, however, and summer weather is on deck again.

It would seem to me that the only way to escape cold weather entirely this winter would be to go to the Equator and sit on it.

SCOTT WAY.

PALM BEACH, FLA., Feb., 12th, 1895.

TO PURIFY THE BALLOT.

A Call For a Popular Convention at Dover.

A state of affairs now exists that never before confronted you in its aggravation and enormity as it does to-day.

The heretofore highly prized right and privileges of voting according to the dictates of an enlightened conscience is become a subject of barter and sale. Offices are no longer the reward of good character and patriotic exertion, but a commodity to be exchanged for so many dollars. It is no longer asked, when seeking candidates, is he honest, is he capable; but rather, how much money can he or will he put into the campaign? Worthy men of modest means no longer hope to be nominated or elected to places of honor or responsibility, to which wealthy rogues, who are willing to spend money are exalted. Not only are offices purchased in this way, but legislation also, and by reason of this, proposed good laws are defeated, and bad one enacted

The reputation of our State is stained and scandalized and disgraced. Nor is this all, or the worst. If this shameful corruption is not eradicated speedily, liberty itself will soon be destroyed, and our once free Republican form of government will be transformed into an odious plutocracy, and the sublime work of our patriotic forefathers become a monumental ruin in the hands of their cowardly sons.

In view of these alarming conditions and hope of averting the threatened calamity that stared us in the face, we most earnestly invite and entreat all good citizens of the entire State, who sympathise with and are ready to assist in the work of reform, to meet in the Court house at Dover, Friday, the 22d, day of February, 1895, at 11 o'clock a. m., to take such action as will effectually and forever put a stop to political bribery in every form, and blot out of existence and memory the stigma that now disgraces the fair escutcheon of our beloved State.

And we particulary and confidently appeal to the clergy of all denominations to read this circular from the pulpit and ask that each church and congregation send at least four delegates of their best and most conscientious and patriotic members to represent them at said meeting. And also that each Grange, Farmers Institute and all other patriotic or benevolent societies in the State do likewise. We also ask every paper in the State to publish this call in full and to urge the importance of the matter upon their readers.

J. Alexander Fulton,
John Heyed,
John J. Rosa,
John M. Eisenbrey,
Arnold Naudain,
James M. Shakespeare,
Edward Woodward,
H. C. Lewis,
G. W. M. Macklin,
W. D. Wilson,
Committee of Delaware State Grange.

DOVER, February 4, 1895.

A STATE EMBLEM.

Delaware Must Chose a Flower—What Shall It Be?

Mrs. Elizabeth C. Churchman of Claymont, Del., has been appointed chairman for this State of the National Floral Emblem Society of America. The purposes of the society, which is an outcome of the World's Fair, are to gain early legislative action in each State of the Union upon the proposition of chosing a certain flower as the representative floral emblem of the State, this choice to be approved by legislative enactment. The matter of ascertaining the choice is first through the co-operation of all the schools in Delaware, both public and private. Each scholar is asked to ascertain the choice of the people at his home and with his own selection to so report to the teacher. The various teachers in New Castle, Kent and Sussex counties will asked to report to the county superintendents of their several counties, and these, in turn to report to Mrs. Churchman, the chairmau for Delaware.

G. A. R.

Officers Elected Last Week at the Encampment of Delaware.

The annual election of officers of the G. A. R. Encampment of Delaware at their meeting in Middletown last week resulted as follows:

Department Commander, Edwin F. Wood, of Dover; Senior Vice-Commander William Kelley; Junior Vice Commauder, James Agnew; Chaplain, Joseph Miller; Medical Director C. M. Stanger, of Middletown, Delegates to National Encampment, Joseph S. Wheeler and Richard Heritage, Delegate National Convention A. S. Naudain, of Middletown John W. Jolls of Post 22 member of Council of Administration.

ODESSA NOTES.

Miss Mary Storr is visiting Rev. R. I. Watkins.

J. C. Baker, of Chester, spent Sunday at home.

W. F. Shallcross, who has been quite ill for some time is gradually improving.

Mrs. Green of Middletown has been the guest of her sisterr Mrs, F. B, Watkins.

Miss L. C. Baker disposed of her entire stock of goods at auction sale on Thursday.

Officer Johnson who has been confined to his home, is again able to attend to his duties.

Miss Dora Register Price has for some time been entertained by Miss Bessie Temple.

J. C. Gibson, of Wilmington, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gibson a few days since.

Miss Anna Gibson left for Philadelphia on Thursday where she will be the guest of Miss Helen Duire.

D. W. Corbit and family have returned home after an extended visit to friends and relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. Downs who has for some time been the guest of her daughter Mrs. H. L. Clayton returned home on Tuesday.

Mrs. W. S. Vandyke met with a painful but not serious accident a few days ago by falling on the ice in front of their home.

The numerous friends of Mr. M. H. Davis will be glad to learn of his convalescence after a serious and protracted illness.

A number of citizens who attended the the G. A. R. Encampment at Middletown on Thursday did not reach home until the first of the present week.

Owing to the absence of Rev. R. I. Watkins no service was held in the M. E. church on Sunday. Mr. Watkins was among the number who enjoyed the novel privilege of being "snow bound" away from home.

A number of Odessians have been engaged for several days with pick and shovel endeavoring to restore communication with the outer world. Nearly all the roads leading from town are now in good condition and the "sleigh fiend" rejoices in the hope of snow covered thoroughfares for many days to come.

The TRANSCRIPT was an unusually welcome guest in this town on Monday bringing as it did the first intelligence received for several days from the outside world. But the joy was mingled with profoundest sorrow as the eye fell on the heavy leaded lines which recalled to our minds the death of your esteemed townsman. Mr. Browne had many warm friends in Odessa and numerous eyes suffused with sympathetic tears as they read the beautiful tribute to his memory.

ROLL OF HONOR.

The following pupils have attained an average of more than 95 per cent in recitations and deportment.

ROOM NO. 1. George Aldrich, Joe Eccles, Joseph Brown, Stanley Stevens, Ethel Mailly, Louise Vandyke, Mattie Townsend, John Aspril Frank Baker, George Gibson, Harry Townsend, Norris Lloyd, Mary Pennington, Emma Eccles, Margaret Stevens, William Townsend, Earl Davis, Daniel Stevens, Edmond Stevens, Clarence Aspril, William Keegan, Eugene Davis, Night Melleven, and William Rose.

ROOM NO. 2. Leslie Morgan, Mary Townsend, Nellie Stevens, William Townsend, Nellie Stevens, Harriet Workman, Nora Armstrong, Bertha Stevens, Grace Vinyard and Nellie Long.

CHESAPEAKE CITY.

Sleighing has grown very monotonous.

Ralph H. Reese is visiting in Philadelphia.

Quite a number of our citizens are ill with the grip.

Revival meetings have been closed at the M. E. Church.

Frank Ellison was the guest of I. G. Steele part of last week.

Miss Ida Wood, of Rock Hall Md. is the guest of Miss Katharine Loraine.

Miss Emma S. Reed is spending some time with relatives in Philadelphia.

It is thought that our banjo club will soon be in readiness to be organized.

Julian Jones had his hand badly cut on Sunday last by falling on a very sharp axe.

To be upset from a sleigh into a large snow bank seems to be the popular fad just at present.

A sociable under the management of the ladies of the Presbyterian Church, was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Brady on Friday evening of this week.

The entertainment entitled "The Dwarfs" which was advertised for Thursday night last, had to be postponed until Saturday night on account of the snow storm.

In an attempt to break the ice in the canal on Friday last, the tug Gen. I. J. Wister broke her wheel and has not yet had it replaced by a new one.

The heavy snow storms of last week have made the roads entirely unfit for travel in a great many places, the snow has drifted even with the hedges, hence, the traveling is done in the fields. On Friday last, stage driver James Wharton, had a narrow escape from being frozen to death. He left town in the morning enroute with the mail, for Elkton, and finally reached that place having been on the road four hours. After having procured the mail for this State, this choice to be approved by legislative enactment. The matter of ascertaining the choice is first through the co-operation of all the schools in Delaware, both public and private. Each scholar is asked to ascertain the choice of the people at his home and with his own selection to so report to the teacher. The various teachers in New Castle, Kent and Sussex counties will asked to report to the county superintendents of their several counties, and these, in turn to report to Mrs. Churchman, the chairmau for Delaware.

PORT PENN.

The month of February, 1895, will long be remembered with anything but feelings of pleasure. Last week was as a whole, a severe experience even for the sheltered and cared for, but to the unprotected and poor it must have been terrible indeed. The snow storm began here about noon on Thursday, and as winds held high carnival it soon assumed the proportions of a blizzard. The thermometer hovered about zero and vast inroads were made upon the coal piles, which seemed to be the only things that could melt. By Friday morning the roads were nearly level with the fences. Mr. Wright, the mail driver, walked to Delaware City with the mail everyday, but none reached us of course until the following Tuesday, for as everyone knows, the cars did not run, and people famished for news. "The winds their revels kept" all day Friday which was memorable indeed. The "sun rose cheerless over hills of grey." Snow drifted in wild fantastic shapes and people scarcely ventured from their doors but hovered over cherished fires vainly endeavoring to keep warm.

Rev. Mr. Wiley, of New Castle was expected to preach on Thursday evening and Rev. O. A. Gillingham started to meet him in Delaware City, but was compelled to turn back in despair of reaching his destination. Services were held in the lecture room on Sunday and were well attended by the towns-people. Dr. A. H. German of the Quarantine, brought papers of Friday's issue which were all we had until Tuesday, the 12th. One man said he read the Record all through, every word. It seemed to be very strange to be cut off entirely from the outside world and the big mail, with its deluge of belated papers and letters was heartily welcome on Tuesday.

The frozen river presented an animated scene on Monday with all Port Penn on it, either skating or walking to the Island and station beyond. Men, women and children availed themselves of the unwonted opportunity.

Special services in the Presbyterian church were very interesting and successful and will be recommenced soon as the weather is favorable.

DELAWARE CITY.

Miss Beulah Marley who has been quite sick is much better.

Miss Bina Foard has returned from a visit to relatives at Northeast.

Dr. William Ogle, his mother and sister have returned from Harrisburg.

Mr. C. W. Pancoast who has been ill with typhoid fever is out again.

Miss Mattie McMunn returned Thursday from a visit to relatives at State Road.

Miss Anna Pennington is slowly improving from a relapse of the typhoid fever.

The canal from here to Chesapeake City is entirely frozen over, and navigation closed.

Rev. Mr. Willy, of New Castle was the guest of Rev. L. A. Oates several days last week.

Quite a number of people witnessed the repairing of the wicket sat the lock by a professional diver on Monday.

The work of can making has been resumed, at C. W. Pencoasts' factory, getting ready for next summer's packing.

Mrs. Reginot has returned from a visit to the West bringing with her George Gassner youngest son of Rev. G. S. Gassner.

Miss Edna Cornelius who has been the guest of her cousin Nan Hemphill, has returned to her home in Philadelphia.

Mr. Ainscow of Wilmington purchased a boat load of oysters consisting of seven hundred bushels, which has been ice bound in the canal for some time. The oysters were shipped by rail to Wilmington Wednesday.

Monday evening in honor of her eighteenth birthday Miss Irene Davidson entertained the following friends: Misses Berenice Keane, Stella Ferguson, Nellie Vail, Gert

DEACON HOPEFUL'S IDEE.

Dear friends, when I am dead and gone
Don't have no woeful takin's on,
Don't act so tarnally bereft,
As though they weren't no sunshine left.
Don't multiply your stock o' woes
By sorry looks an' gloomy clothes,
An' make the trouble ten times worse
By allers follerin' a hearse.

When I depart, it's my idee,
The most consolin' thing ter me
'Ld be to hear the ones I tried
Ter comfort here before I died
Say, sort o' smilin' through their tears.
"Well, ennyhow, fer years an' years
We had him here, so let's be glad,
An' thankful fer the joy we had."

It ain't no use ter make a fuss
When death comes after one o' us.
The ways o' Providence, 'low,
Are as they should be, ennyhow.
Things suit me purty middlin' well,
An' even at a funeral
I'd sing amid the grief and woe,
"Praise God from whom all blessin's flow."
—Chicogo Journal.

My Friend Phil

To begin with, Phil was black; and the reader will please understand that the word black is here used in its literal, not its conventional sense. Phil was actually as well as ethnologically black. There was no trace of a lighter tint anywhere in his complexion. Not a suspicion of brown appeared in his cheeks, and even his great thick lips, protruding far beyond the outposts of his nose, were as sable as the rest of his face. It was all a dead black too, unaccompanied by by that lustre which, by surface reflection, relieves the shadow upon commonplace African faces.

And nobody knew all this better than Phil did.

"Phil ain't none o' yer coffee-colored niggas," he would say in moments of exultation, when his mood was to straighten his broad shoulders and boast a little—"Phil ain't none o' yer coffee-colored niggas, ner none o' yer alapacker niggas nuther. I's bla k I is. Da's sno'. Ain't got no bacon-shine in my skin; but I jes' tell you what, mosta, Phil kin take de very sou' off'n dem sniny niggas an' hoff an' off niggas, w'en it comes to de wuk."

(By "shut" and "wuk" Phil meant "suit" and "work," just as he mean "birds" when he said "bud."

"Drive? Kin I? Kin Phil drive? What you mean, mosta, by axin' sich a quest on." (N. B.—Nobody ha asked anything of the kind, but Phil had some remarks to make on the subject of his accomplishments in this respect, and, like the witnesses in a recent great trial, was disposed to answer what he wished somebody would ask.) "Drive? Course I kin. De never was a hoss ner mule yit wot ever had a mouf an' two legs dat Phil can't handle, an' you better b'lieve, mosta, Phil kik plaunt de wheel 'twix' de acorn an' de shell."

If I report Phil's boastings, it is only because they constituted too large a proportion of what he said to be omitted. I do so to confirm, not to gainsay them, or to hold their author up to ridicule. He was my friend, the faithfulest I ever knew—and he sleeps now. If he boasted now and then, no one could have had a better right. His was the pride of performance and not the vanity of pretention.

Phil was a Virginian—a gentleman in his way—and a slave, though I doubt if he ever suspected his gentility, or felt his bondage as a burden, in the least. He had no aspirations for freedom, or for anything else, I think, except joility and comfort. I do not say this was well, but it was a fact. The reader will understand that this paper is intended to be in no sense an essay on slavery. The "instatution" is certainly past praying for, or against either, for that matter, and if I speak at all of some of its phenomena, I do so precisely as I should describe fossil remains of any other sort, with none but an antiquarian interest in their peculiarities. It is simply one of the accidents of the humble biographical sketch herein attempted, that its subject was a slave, and perfectly content to remain so; and I menti n the fact just as I should state that Mr. Greeley was a printer if I were writing of that gentleman's life.

My acquaintance with Phill began when I was a half-grown boy. Until that time I had lived in a free State; so that when I returned to the land of my fathers and became an inmate of the old family mansion, in one of the south side counties of Virginia, the plantation negro was a fresh and very interesting study to me.

On the morning after my arrival, as I lay in the antique carved bed assigned me, wondering at the quaint picturesqueness of my surroundings, and the delightful strangeness of the life with which I was now in contact for the first time, a weird, musical sound, of singular power and marvellous sweetness, floated through the dormer windows, borne upon the breath of such a June morning as I had never before seen. I listened, but could make nothing of it by guessing. It was music certainly—absolute music, if Mr. White will allow me the phrase—and yet it was not music in the ordinary sense at all. It rose and fell like the ground swell of the sea, and was as full of melody and sweetness as is the song of birds, but it was as destitute as they of anything like like a tune. It began nowhere and went nowhither. I listened entranced and wondering, but could make nothing of it. I had no memory of anything with which I could compare it, and could conceive of no throat or instrument capable of producing such a sound. Springing out of bed, I made a hasty toilet and descended to the great piazza at the front of the house. There sat the master of the mansion, and of him I straightway made inquiry.

"What is that?" I asked eagerly.

"Why, that is Phil," answered my uncle.

"And who is Phil? and what on earth is he doing? and especially, how does he do it?"

"He's calling hogs," replied my guardian. "If you'll walk up to that skirt of woods, you can put your other questions to him in person. He is not shy or difficult of approach. Introduce yourself, and be sure to tell him whose son you are."

My uncle's face wore an amused smile as I walked away. He could imagine the sequel.

In the edge of the timber st od a tall, broad-shouldered, brawny negro man, singularly ugly, but with a countenance so full of good humor that I was irresistibly attracted by it from the first. At his feet stood great baskets of corn, and around him were gathered a hundred or more swine, busily eating the breakfast he was dispensing. As I ap roached, his hat—what there was of it—was doffed, and I was greeted with a fabulous bow, apparently meant to be half a tribute of respect, and half a bit of buffoonery, indulged in for my amusement or his own.

"Good mawnin', young mosta; hope I see you well dis mawin'."

"Thank, you. I'm very well," I replied. "You're Phil, I suppose?"

"You're right for dis oncet, mosta. I's Phil, toe be sho; ax de dogs—dey done know me."

"Well, Phil, I'm glad to make your acquaintance. I'm your mas' Jo's son."

"What dat? Mas Jo's son! Mas' Jo's son!!! My mas' Jo's son!!!! Let me shake han's wid you, mosta. Jes' to think! Mas' Jo's son! an Phil done live to shake han's wid mas' Jos son! Why, my young mosta, I raise youa fother! Him an' me done play marbles t ogeder many an' many a time. We was boys together right heah on dis very identucal plantation. Used to go in swimmin' togeder, an' go fishin', an' steal de mules out'n de stables Sundays, an' ride races wid 'em, an' git cotched too sometimes when ole mosta git home from chu'ch. My, mosta, but I's glad to see you!"

All this while the great black giant was wrenching my hand well nigh off, laughing and weeping alternately, and stamping with delight, which could find no other vent than in physical ex ertion. I was naturally anxious to divert he conversation into some other and less personal channel, and managed to do so presently by asking Phil to give me a specimen of his hog-calling cry, which I wished to hear near at hand. That performance over, we talked again. I began by saying I had never heard any one call hogs in that way before.

"Da's jes' it, mo ta," he replied. "Folks don't unduc-tan' de science o' hogcallin'. Dey says, 'Ps-s-s-s

Middletown Directory.

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS.

President.—Geo. D. Kelley; Secretary, W. S. Letherbury; G. W. W. Naudain, J. F. Mc Whorter, M. Kumple, Jr.

BANKS.

Peoples National Bank.—President, Dr. J. V. Crawford; Cashier, Geo. D. Kelley; Teller, W. G. Lockwood. Bank Building on East Main Street.

Citizens' National Bank.—President, Henry Clayton; Cashier, John S. Crouch; Teller, L. Darlington. Bank Building on South Broad Street.

CHURCHES.

Middletown M. E. Church.—Rev. N. M. Browne, Pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 10 30 a. m., and 7.30 p. m. Sabbath School every Sabbath at 2 p. m., A. G. Cox, Superintendent. Prayer meeting, every Thursday evening, 7.30 o'clock. Junior Epworth League and Epworth Cadets every Friday night at 7 o'clock. Young Ladies' Mission Circle, Monday nights at Parsonage. Women's Foreign Missionary Society, first Friday night of each month. Women's Home Missionary Society, first Thursday night of each month. Mite Society, first Saturday night of each month. Official Board meeting first Friday afternoon of each month at 2.30 o'clock.

Forest Presbyterian Church.—Rev. F. H. Moore, Pastor. Services held every Sabbath morning at 10.30 o'clock, and every Sabbath evening at 7.30. Sabbath School will be held every Sabbath morning at 9.15 o'clock, Prof. W. B. Tharp, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. Young People's Society Christian Endeavor meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Junior Society Christian Endeavor every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Services at Armstrong's Chapel the first Sabbath of each month at 3 p. m.

St. Anne's Protestant Episcopal Church, Rev. J. Wilkie Pastor. Divine service on Sunday mornings at 10.30 o'clock and in the evenings at 7.30. Fridays, 3 p. m. Sunday School at 2 p. m.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

Middletown Council, No. 2, Jr. O. U. A. M. Meets every Monday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Union Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M. Meets first Tuesday of each month in Town Hall.

Good Samaritan Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F. Meets every Thursday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Damon Lodge, No. 12, K. of P. Meets every Wednesday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Major John Jones Post, No. 22, G. A. R. Meets every Friday night in Town Hall at 7 o'clock.

Welcome Conclave Heptasophs. Meets every second and fourth Friday night in K. of P. Hall.

LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.

Volunteer Hose Company, meets first Friday night of each month in Hose House.

MAILS CLOSE.

Going north, 7.38, a. m., 10.15 a. m., 4.09 p. m. Going south, 8.55 a. m., 4.56 p. m. 5.51 Lock Pouch to Wilmington and Philadelphia. For Odessa, 9.10, 10.45 a. m., and 6.00 p. m. For Warwick, Cecilton, Earleville and Sassafras, 9.10 a. m.

PENINSULA NOTES.

An Italian laborer named Anthony Parlum fell while shoveling snow at Perryville and injured himself so badthat hey had to be removed to the hospital at Wilmington.

The freeze has put a stop to oyster dredging on the peninsula, and many of the dredgers have been sent to their homes in Baltimore, Philadelphia and other cities at public expense.

Sunday two men were found dead on the railroad track between Oxford and Easton. They were identified as hands on a dredge boat frozen up at Oxford, and being discharged, they tried to make their way to Easton and perished in the attempt.

There is much suffering among the poor at Easton. A meeting of citizens was held on Friday and several hundred dollars raised to buy fuel and food for the destitute, which is distributed under directions of the town commissioners and a committee of citizens.

The friends of Mary D. Ellegood, widow of the late Post Master at Salisbury are active in their efforts to have her appointed Post Mistress. Her brother-in law, James E. Ellegood and A. J. Benjamin were in Washington this week working up her case The Representative Mr. Henry will canvass the situation before he makes any recommendations.

Several calls have been received by Wilmington pastors and congregations are now holding meetings to decide on a pastor for the coming year. When it is possible a pastor is most always sent where he is called. The Rev. H. S. Dulaney, of Kingswood Church, has received a call to go to Lewes The Rev. Warren Burr, of St. Peter's, Md., has been asked to become the pastor of Kingswood Church.

SALES TO TAKE PLACE.

TUESDAY, February 19th.—Levi Watson will sell at public sale his property on Dr. Ashcraft's farm, on the road leading from Fieldsboro to Taylor's Bridge. D. P. Hutchison, Auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, February 20th.—J. Harry Staats, near Taylor's Bridge, will sell his entire stock and farming implements. D. P. Hutchison, Auctioneer.

TUESDAY, February 26th.—Perry Othoson will sell his stock and farming implements at his farm near Townsend. D. P. Hutchison, Auctioneer.

THURSDAY, February 21st,—Lattomus Bros. will sell at public sale, on the above date, their Stock and Farming Implements on their farm half mile west of Townsend, Del. D. P. Hutchison, auctioneer.

TUESDAY, February 26.—Stock and Farming implements of A. A. Othoson, near Ginns Corner. D. P. Hutchison, Auctioneer.

S FOR CURES SCROFULA, BLOOD POISON.

S THE CURES CANCER, ECZEMA, TETTER.

S BLOOD

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER'S OFFICE, NEWCASTLE COUNTY, DEL., February 15, 1895.

Upon the application of Hugh C. Browne, Administrator of Nicholas M. Browne, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Administrator aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters of Administration upon the estate of deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the county of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or whide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT a newspaper published in Middletown and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and Seal of Office of the Register aforesaid at Wilmidgton, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

J. WILKINS COOCH, Register

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that letters of Administration were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the Thirteenth day of February, A. D., 1895, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the said Administrator, on or before the Thirteenth day of February, 1896, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

HUGH C. BROWNE, Administrator.

Address Wilmington, Del.

NOTICE is hereby given that I will apply to the General Assembly of the State of Delaware during the present session for a divorce from my husband, Benjamin F. Asher.

CORA C. ASHER.

DELAWARE CITY, DEL. feb22-4t

For Rent or Sale

Three very desirable dwellings nicely located in Odessa, Delaware. Address, Box 82, or M. B. Barris, Middletown, Del.

F. Duggan.

High License.

Representetive Pyle introduced an act fixing the price of liquor license as follows: Cities and towns 10,000 inhabitants and upwards, $750; of more than 1,000 and less than 10,000 inhabitants, $500; all other places, $400; price of license for druggists to sell, $50; retailers, $400. Mr. Pyle also introduced an act providing that the maxium fine for selling liquor illegally shall be $500 and the minimum fine $250; the maximum imprisonment six months. He also gave notice of an act providing a fine of $100 and costs and imprisonment of one month for working on Sunday. The law is to apply both to employer and employe. Anybody compelling anyone to work on Sunday shall pay a similar fine to anyone who may sue for it. A memorial asking for the enactment of a law providing for a careful inspection of persons supposed to be dead was presented in the Senate.

Miscellaneous.

To Cure

weak stomach, loss of appetite, flatulence, waterbrash, rising of food, heartburn, nightmare, coated tongue, offensive breath, jaundice, bad complexion, liver-spots, yellow eyes, constipation, palpitation of the heart, and short breath after meals, dyspepsia, and all its symptoms, take

Dr. Deane's Dyspepsia Pills.

Eat plenty of good nourishing food. A pill after each meal. 25 cents at druggists'.

Send to us for free sample.

DR. J. A. DEANE CO., Kingston, New York.

POSTPONED PUBLIC SALE —OF— Personal Property

The undersigned, intending to move, will sell at his residence, on the road leading from Murphy's Mill to Back Creek, on

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1895

AT 10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

His entire stock and Farming Implements, consisting of

15 HEAD OF **Horses and Mules**

No. 1.—NANCY, standard bay mare, 4 years old, by Blackmore, in foal by Nutwood Prince, well broken and promises to make a fine driver.

No. 2.—JACK, coming 3 years old, and full brther to Nancy.

No. 3.—RUTH, coming 2 years old, and full sister to the above described Nos. 1 and 2.

No. 4.—Bay Mare, 8 years old, will work anywhere on farm, a good driver and in foal by Nutwood Prince.

No. 5.—DAN, large bay colt, 4 years old, well broken and an excellent driver, and will road 8 miles an hour with tight rein.

No. 6.—NED, Perchin colt, coming 4 years old, large, well broken and will work anywhere.

No. 7.—FANNIE, bay mare, 11 years old, a good brood and farm mare now in foal.

No. 8.—GEORGE, black horse, 11 years old, good worker and fair driver.

No 9.—FRIDAY, 12 years old, a good driver and an excellent lady's horse.

No 10.—BILL, bay horse, 8 years old and a good worker.

Nos. 12 and 13.—One pair young mules, 4 years old, large, well broken and will work anywhere. This is a superior pair mules for any work.

Nos. 14 and 15.—One pair of large mules, 13 years old. They are sound and all right in every respect.

12 HEAD OF **Cows and Heifers**

Some of which are in profit now and others will be soon.

FARMING IMPLEMENTS:

Consisting of 4 Farm Wagons, 3 of which are good order; 1 Milk Wagon in good order; 1 Buck Eye Binder with Carier, in good order; 1 New Champion Binder with Carrier; 2 Mowers in good order; 1 good Roller, 1 Steel Tooth Rake, 1 Randall Harrow, 1 Eleven-Spout Pennsylvania Drill, in good order; 1 Buck Eye Corn Planter with checker, nearly new; 1 Corn Sheller, 5 Three-horse Plows, 3 of which are nearly new; 5 Iron Cultivators, in good order; 3 Twin Harrows, Shovels, Forks, Rakes, Three-horse, Double and Single Trees, 6 sets of Wagon Harness, 10 sets of Plow Harness, Collars, Bridles, Halters, 1 Buggy and 1 set Single Harness, Grind Stone, Wheelbarrow, Farm Bell, and other articles not here enumerated.

TERMS OF SALE:

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No. 11—Ned, bay colt, 3 years old, good farm horse and fair driver, but a little bucky in light single harness.

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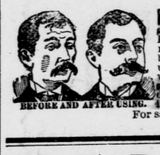

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Wilmington, Del., Jan. 25th, 1895. Jan.25-4t

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ISAAC HAINES.

CHRISTIANA, DEL. feb2-4t

Time Tables.

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DELAWARE DIVISION

On and after Nov. 18, 1894, (Sunday excepted,) trains will leave as follows:

SOUTHWARD.

	P. M.	PAS.	EXP.	PAS.	MAIL	MA'L
	11.16	A M.	A M.	P M.	P. M.	P M
Philadelphia		‡7 25	‡10 20	‡2 02	‡3 46	‡5 56
Baltimore	7.43	6 25	8 50	12 05	3 00	5 27
Wilmington	12 01	8 13	11.03	2.59	4 27	6.53
Farmhurst		f 8.22		f 2 58		
New Castle		8 27		3 03		7 05
State Road		‡8 33		f 3.08		‡7.10
Bear		‡8.38		f 3.13		h7.15
Porter		8 46			f 4 48	7 21
Kirkwood		8 52	h11 33	‡ 3 21		‡7.56
Mt. Pleasant		9.03		f 3.30		‡7 34
Armstrong		f 9 06				7 38
Middletown	12.44	9 13	11 49	3.39	5.11	7.43
Townsend		9 22		f 3 47	5.19	7 52
Blackbird		f 9 27		f 3 51		‡7.57
Gr'n Spring		f 9 33		f 3 57		
Clayton	1 02	9 40	12 06	4 00	5 32	8.08
Smyrna .LV		9 30	11.56	3.50	5 22	7.58
Brenford		f9 45		f 4 07		8.13
Cheswold		f9.51		f 4.12		‡8.19
Dupont				f 4.15		
Dover	1 20	10 04	12 22	4 21	5 50	‡8 28
Wyoming	a 1.27	10.11	‡12 28	4 27	5.56	8 34
Woodside		‡10 18		f 4 33		
Viola		‡10 22		f 4 37		
Felton	a 1.40	10 27	‡12.39	4 41	6 08	
Harrington	1.50	10 41	12.53	4.53	6.20	
Farmington		f. 0 47	h 1.00		f 6.28	
Greenwood		‡10.55	h 1.07		f 6 36	
Bridgeville	a 2 14	11.03	f 1.15		6.45	
Cannons		‡11 08			f 6 50	
Seaford	a 2.26	11 18	1 26		6 58	
Laurel	a 2.38	11.29	f 1 36		7 09	
Delmar	2.50	11.39	1 46		7 20	

NORTHWARD.

	EXP.	MAIL	EXP.	MAIL	EXP.	PAS
	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	A M	P. M.	P. M.
Delmar	11.08			‡8 05	‡2 26	‡5.04
Laurel	f 1.21			8.15	p 2 36	4.03
Seaford	p 1.34			8.29	p 2 46	4.05
Cannons				f 8 37		f 4.12
Bridgeville	p 1.48			f 8 43	f 2	4.18
Greenwood				f 8.5		f 4.26
Farmington				f 8.59		f 4.34
Harrington	p 2 22			9 13	3.2	4.44
Felton	p 2.32			8.14	9 22	f 3.33	4.53
Viola				‡8.18	f 9 27		f 4.58
Woodside				‡8 22	f 9 31		f 5.02
Wyoming		‡7 05		‡8 29	9 38	f 3.41	5 09
Dover	2.50	7.11		8.35	9.45	3.47	5.16
Dupont		‡7 14					
Cheswold		‡7 20			f 9.54		f 5.25
Brenford		‡7 24			f10.02		f 5.50
Smyrna .LV		7.19		8 42	9 57	3.50	5.28
Clayton	3.06	7 29		8.52	10.05	4 02	5.36
Gr'n spring		‡7.33					f 5.40
Blackbird		‡7.39			f10.15		f 5 46
Townsend		7.44			0 20	4.15	5.51
Middletown	p 3.29	7 53		f9.34	10.29	4 21	6 02
Armstrong		‡7.57					f 6 06
Mt Pleasant		8.01			f10 37		6.10
Kirkwood		8.09			10 46		6.21
Porter		8.15			10 51	4.41	6 27
Bear		‡8.20		9.06	f10.56		6 31
State Road		‡8 25		9.15	f11 00		6 35
New Castle		8.31		9 45	11 07		6.40
Farnhurst		‡8.36		9 50	11.12		
Wilmington	4 15	8 45		9 58	11 20	5.05	6 53
Baltimore	6.22	10 37		11.15	12 35	6.55	8.40
Philadelphia	5.10	9.32		10.46	12 06	5 5	7.51

‖ Daily. ‡ Daily except Sunday.

"a" Stops to leave passengers from Wilmington and points north, or take passengers for points south of Delmar.

"f" Stops only on notice to conductor or agent, or on signal.

"h" Stops to leave passengers from Wilmington or points north.

"‡" Stops to leave passengers from Middletown and points south.

"p" Stops to leave passengers from points south of Delmar, or take passengers for Wilmington and points north.

"‖" Stops to let off passengers from points south of Harrington.

NEW CASTLE ACCOMMODATION TRAINS.—Leave Wilmington 1..06 a. m. and 6.15 p m., daily, 8.43, 11.12, a. m , 2 50, 4 30 and 6.50, p. m., week-days. Leave New Castle 6.30 a. m. and 8.50 p. m., daily, 8.31, 9 45, 11.05 a. m., 1.18, 5.36 and 6 42 p. m , week-days.

Express trains leaving Harrington 8.05 a. m., and arriving at 6 20 p. m., week-days, run through solid to and from Baltimore, via Porter and Newark.

BRANCH ROADS.

DELAWARE, MARYLAND & VIRGINIA R. R.—Leave Harrington for Franklin City and way stations 1..46 a m. week days 6 25 p m., Tuesdays. Thursdays and Saturdays. Returning, train leaves Franklin City 5.52 a. m., week-days 10 35 a m.

Leave Franklin City for Chincoteague (via steamer) 2.01 p. m., week-days Returning, leave Chincoteague 4.42 a. m., week-days.

Leave Harrington for Georgetown and Lewes at 10.46 a m , 6 25 p m. Returning, leave Lewes 7.35 a. m., 12.19 p. m., week-days.

For Berlin, leave Harrington 0.46 a. m., week-days and 6.25 p m. Tuesdays. Thursdays and Saturdays. Returning, leave Berlin, 6 56 a m , week-days, 12 10 p.m., Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

QUEEN ANNE & KENT R. R.—Leave Townsend for Centreville and way stations 9.25 a. m. and 4 25 p m week days. Returning leave Centreville 6 50 a. m.. and 1.30 p. m., week-days.

DELAWARE & CHESAPEAKE R R.—Leave Clayton for Oxford and way stations 9.45 a m.. and 4 40 p. m , week days Returning, leave Oxford 6.55 a m., and 1 55 p. m.. week-days.

CAMBRIDGE & SEAFORD R. R.—Leave Seaford for Cambridge and intermediate stations 11.25 a m week days and on Tuesdays. Thursdays and Saturdays 7 00 p. m Returning leave Cambridge 6 20 a m and on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays 2.46 p m.

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Philadelphia, Twenty-Fourth and Chestnut Streets, week-days, ‡3.03, 5.55, ‡7.17, 6.35, ‡7.53, 7.58, ‡8.42, ‡9.30, 10.40, ‡10.40, ‡11.45, a. m., ‡12.24, 1.25, ‡2.49, 3.25, 4.55, 5.35, 6.30, ‡7.34, 8.15, 10.00, ‡11.00 p. m.

Sundays, ‡3.03, ‡7.17, 6.35, 7.58, 9.00, ‡11.40, 11.40 a. m., 1.25, ‡2.49, 8.25, 4.55, 5.35, 6.30, ‡7.34, 8.15, 10.00, ‡11.00, p. m.

Philadelphia, Twelfth and Market Streets, week-days, ‡3.03, ‡7.17, ‡8.42, ‡10.40, a. m., ‡2.49, ‡7.34, ‡11.00, p. m.

Philadelphia, Sundays, ‡3.03, ‡7.17, ‡11.40, a. m., ‡2.49, ‡7.34, ‡11.00, p. m.

Chester, week-days, ‡3.03, 5.55, ‡7.17, 6.35, ‡7.53 7.58, ‡8.42, ‡9.30, 10.40, ‡10.40, ‡11.45, a.m., 1.25, ‡2.49, 3.25, 4.55, 5.35, 6.30, ‡7.34, 8.25, 10.00, 11.00, p. m.

Chester, Sundays, ‡3.03, ‡7.17, 6.35, .58, 9 00, ‡11.40, 11.40 a. m., 1.25, ‡2.49, 3.25, 4.55, 5.35, 6.30, ‡7.34, 8.15, 10.00, ‡11.00, p. m.

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For Pittsburg and Chicago, week-days, ‡8.30 a. m.

For Baltimore, week-days, 7.00, ‡8.30, a. m., 2.55, 5.40, p. m. Sunday, 2.55, p. m.

For Landenburg and way stations, week-days, 8.00, 8.40, a. m., 2.20, 5.40, p. m. Sundays, 9.25, a. m., 5.40, p. m.

Leave Philadelphia, Twenty-Fourth and Chestnut streets for Wilmington, week-days, ‡3.37, 6.15, 7.22, ‡8.5, 10.00, ‡11.42, a. m., 12.00, noon, ‡1.35, 11.45, 2.00, 3.15, ‡4.00, 4.30, 15.00, ‡5.41, 5.50, 6.30, ‡7.43, ‡8.23, 8.30, ‡10.10 and 11.35, p. m.

Sundays, ‡3.37, 6.15, ‡8.15, 8.30, 10.00, ‡11.42, a. m., 12.00, noon, ‡1.35, 2.00, 3.15, ‡4.00, 4.30, 6.30, ‡7.43, ‡8.23, ‡10.10 and 11.35, p. m.

Leave Twelfth and Market Streets, ‡3.20, ‡7.55, ‡11.26, a. m., ‡3.46, ‡7.27, p. m. Sundays, ‡3.20, ‡7.55, ‡11.26, a. m., ‡3.46, ‡7.27, p. m.

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